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9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
10 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS,
16 OSCAR CHAVEZ-GARCIA,
17 JOEL CHAVEZ DURAN,
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and IGNACIO GARAY ORNELAS
(a/k/a "Junior"),

Defendants.

4:21-CR-6028-MKD

SECOND SUPERSEDING
INDICTMENT

Vios.: 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A)
(ii), (vi), (viii), 846
Conspiracy to Distribute 50
Grams or More of Actual (Pure)
Methamphetamine, 400 Grams or
More of Fentanyl, and 5
Kilograms or More of Cocaine
(Count 1)

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1),
(b)(1)(A)(viii)
Distribution of 50 Grams or
More of Actual (Pure)
Methamphetamine
(Counts 2 and 4)

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C)
Distribution of Fentanyl
(Count 3)

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1),
(b)(1)(B)(vi)
Distribution of 40 Grams or
More of Fentanyl
(Count 5)

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1),
(b)(1)(B)(vi), 18 U.S.C. § 2
Possession with the Intent to
Distribute 40 Grams or more of
Fentanyl
(Count 6)

21 U.S.C. § 853
Forfeiture Allegations

The Grand Jury charges:

COUNT 1

Beginning on a date unknown, but by November 2019, and continuing until on or about March 1, 2022, in the Eastern District of Washington and elsewhere, the Defendants, JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS, OSCAR CHAVEZ-GARCIA, JOEL CHAVEZ DURAN, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] IGNACIO GARAY ORNELAS (a/k/a "Junior"), and other individuals, both known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly and intentionally combine, conspire, confederate, and agree together with each other to commit the following offense: distribution of 50 grams or more of actual (pure) methamphetamine, 400 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide (a/k/a Fentanyl), and 5 kilograms or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, all Schedule II controlled substances, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A)(ii), (vi), and (viii), 846.

COUNT 2

On or about May 18, 2021, in the Eastern District of Washington, the Defendant, JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS, did knowingly and intentionally distribute 50 grams or more of actual (pure) Methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A)(viii).

COUNT 3

On or about May 18, 2021, in the Eastern District of Washington, the Defendant, JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS, knowingly and intentionally distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide (a/k/a Fentanyl), a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C).

COUNT 4

On or about June 8, 2021, in the Eastern District of Washington, the Defendant, JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS, did knowingly and intentionally distribute 50 grams or more of actual (pure) Methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A)(viii).

COUNT 5

On or about June 29, 2021, in the Eastern District of Washington, the Defendant, JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS, knowingly and intentionally distributed 40 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide (a/k/a Fentanyl), a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B)(vi).

COUNT 6

On or about July 21, 2021, in the Eastern District of Washington, the Defendant, JOEL CHAVEZ DURAN, knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute 40 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a

1 detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide
 2 (a/k/a Fentanyl), a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C.
 3 § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B)(vi), and 18 U.S.C. § 2.

4 NOTICE OF CRIMINAL FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS

5 The allegations contained in this Second Superseding Indictment are hereby
 6 re-alleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures.

7 Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, upon conviction of an offense of violation of
 8 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), as charged in Counts 1 – 6 of this Second Superseding
 9 Indictment, the Defendants, JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS, OSCAR CHAVEZ-
 10 GARCIA JOEL CHAVEZ DURAN, [REDACTED]
 11 [REDACTED]
 12 [REDACTED]
 13 [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED] IGNACIO GARAY ORNELAS (a/k/a “Junior”), shall
 15 forfeit to the United States of America any property constituting, or derived from,
 16 any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such offense(s) and
 17 any property used or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit or to
 18 facilitate the commission of the offense(s). The property to be forfeited includes,
 19 but is not limited to:

20 Defendant JOSE MENDOZA-RUELAS (Counts 1 – 5)

- 21 - A Sundance Industries .25 caliber Auto pistol, Model A-25, serial
 22 number: 097311

23 Defendant OSCAR CHAVEZ-GARCIA (Count 1)

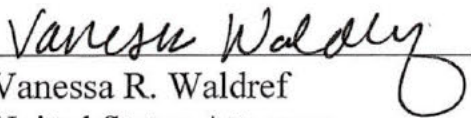
- 24 - \$161,669.00 U.S. currency;
- 25 - \$5,140.00 U.S. currency;
- 26 - a Colt 01070BSTS .45 caliber pistol, serial number: CV48283;
- 27 - a DTI-15, AR-15 Rifle, Caliber 5.56mm, serial number: DTI-
 28 S159723; and
- an Arsenal AK-47 Rifle, Model: SAM7UF, serial number:
 BA547063

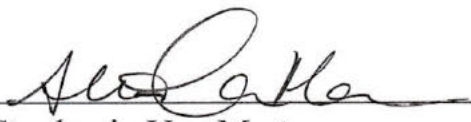
1 If any forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of the
2 Defendant(s):

- 3 (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
4 (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
5 (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
6 (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
7 (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided
8 without difficulty,
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10 the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property
11 pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p).

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